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FUTURE OF THE POLISH NATIONAL COMMITTEE
AND IDENTIFICATION OF "FRIEND".

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To VICTOR.

1. SERGEJ[i] and GRANDPAPA [DEDUSHKA] simultaneously[i] received from the Polish Socialist A. PENZIKA a letter[iii] for the Chairman of the Polish National Committee, MORAVSKIJ[iv]. PENZIKA put himself at the disposal of the Committee, stating that he was ready [B: to carry out] any of our instructions

[10 groups unrecovered]

[C: remained] in the Polish government in exile.

On 2nd August [6 groups unrecovered]
MIKOLAJCZYK [MIKOLAJCHIK]. [2 groups unrecovered].

[B:2.] LANGE[v] (henceforth FRIEND [PRIYATEL']) will undoubtedly play a political role in Poland in the future. He proposes immediately [2 groups unrecovered] controversial questions between the Committee and MIKOLAJCZYK to organise in the COUNTRY [STRANA][vi] an official representative body [PREDSTAVITEL'STVO] for relief for Poland [C: and] an information agency [1 group unrecovered] [D: to counteract] Polish reaction. GRANDPAPA has already telegraphed FRIEND's [P.]

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proposal to [B.] the SYNDICATE [SINDIKAT][vii]]

[15 groups unrecoverable]

FRIEND accepted the invitation [D.] on condition [6 groups unrecovered] Committee MIKOLAJCZYK, suggesting for him the post of Chairman and suggesting that the Committee be renamed the Provisional Government.

FRIEND gives a warning that the entry of MIKOLAJCZYK [M.] into the Committee must not be attended by serious concessions on the part of the Committee.

[2 groups unrecovered] proposes the setting up [C.] in POLAND [b] of a special commission for organising relief in the liberated areas which would make an appeal to the SHELTER [PRIYUT][viii] and to all philanthropic American organisations.

This information would help the Polish masses to rally round a new Government.

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T.N.: [a] PARALLEL'NO: literally "in parallel". See S/NBF/T7 for another example of the use of this word.

[b] Or "[C.] by the POLES".

Comments: [i] SERGEJ: Vladimir Sergeevich PRAVDIN.

[ii] DEDUSHKA: Evenij Dmitrevich KISELEV.

[iii] Presumably "a copy of a letter" is meant.

[iv] Edward Boleslaw OSOBKA-MORAWSKI, who was appointed first Prime Minister of the first "Provisional Government of Liberated Democratic Poland" at the end of December 1944; this followed two visits to MOSCOW (in May and August 1944) and a history of pro-Russian activity.

[v] Professor Oscar LANGE. In May 1944 he went to LONDON bearing new MOSCOW proposals on the problem of Russo-Polish relations. In June 1944

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he returned to CHICAGO, where he was on the staff of the University. In September 1945 he was appointed Polish Ambassador in WASHINGTON.

- [vi] STRANA: the United States of America.
- [vii] SINDIKAT: the People's Commissariat of Foreign Affairs in MOSCOW.
- [viii] PRIYUT: U.N.R.R.A.

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